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- 1. No active resistance movement in Bulgaria can achieve concrete results because the Communist regime has the situation well under control and takes drastic measures against the so-called "rebel reactionaries." However, the resistance
- In Bulgaria there is a resistance movement, made up of youths and former officers, known as "Neutralen Officer". From time to time news leaks out that one of the members of this organization has been tried.
- In the Politechnical Institute of Sofia, police uncovered a group of young men wha were not actually connected with the clandestine resistance movement but had decided to organize a passive resistance within the Institute itself. Twenty young men were arrested and sent to prison after proof had been established concerning their anti-government activities. Their trial has not yet been made public and no one has been able to discover their fate.
- 4. All anti-Communist activities conclude tragically for those who organize them and also provoke a more rigid police control.
- 5. From time to time anti-Communist propaganda leaflets are scattered in the streets of Bulgarian cities; however, no one has the courage to pick them up and read them. They fear that, if discovered or found to be in possession of one of these leaflets, their minimum sentence would be forced labor in a concentration camp.
- The activities of members of the clandestine resistance movement in Bulgaria often provide the Communist regime with a pretext for liquidating unpopular political leaders who are accused of being at the head of such anti-government movements.

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